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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicant wishes to amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, after the title and before the first line, insert the sentence:

--Cross Reference to Related Application

This is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/047,102, filed March 24, 1998,

~~now US PATENT NO. 6,204065
now allowed, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference.--;~~

line 12, delete "in a connector for", insert --of connectors--.

line 14, delete ", and they", insert --. They--;

line 21, delete "a" (second occurrence); and

line 22, delete "a", insert --the--.

Page 2, line 3, delete "used to be".

Page 4, line 1, following ":", insert --since--, and

delete "obliged", insert --required--;

line 2, change "there are posed" to --it exhibits--,
 after "problems", insert --in--, and
 change "is inferior in" to --exhibits inferior--; and
 line 20, change "said" (first occurrence) to --a--.

Page 5, line 6, change "It is preferable that" to --In--, and
 delete "is such";
 line 7, delete "that";
 line 8, after "other", insert --,--;
 line 9, after "the", insert --two--;
 line 26, change "comprising: a first step for forming" to --. First--, and
 after "holes", insert --are formed--.

Page 6, line 1, delete "; a", insert --,--;
 line 2, change "second step for forming," to --Next,--;
 line 3, delete ";", insert --is formed.--;
 line 4, change "a third step for laying said" to --The--, and
 after "structure", insert --is then laid--, and
 change "said" (second occurrence) to --the--;
 line 5, delete line in its entirety, insert --is disposed in the through hole. A

sheet is then formed by bringing the two films into--;

line 6, delete in its entirety and insert --thermal press contact. The cut pieces

are then cut from one another,--;

line 7, delete "bending",
 delete "said cuts", insert --the cuts are bent--;
 line 8, change "said" (all occurrences) to --the--;
 line 9, change "said" to --the--;
 line 10, delete "from";
 line 11, change "making" (first occurrence) to --by--, and
 change "to" (all occurrences) to --through--, and
 after "sheet", insert --,--; and
 delete "making" (second occurrence);

line 16, delete "comprising: a first step for forming", insert -- According to

04 this method, a--;

change "each of" to --is formed--;

line 17, after "cuts", insert --,--;

line 19, delete "; a second step for covering said cut pieces", insert -- The cut

05 pieces are then covered--;

line 20, delete "said", insert --the--;

line 21, delete "said", insert --the--, and

delete "; a third step for", insert --,--;

line 22, delete "forming through holes", insert --Through holes are then

06 formed--, and

delete "said cut pieces; and a fourth step for", insert --the cut pieces--;

line 23, delete "bending one", insert --One--, and

delete "said cuts", insert --the cuts are then bent--;

line 24, change "said" (both occurrences), insert --the--; and

line 25, change "said" to --the--.

Page 7, line 2, delete "making punching to", insert --punching through--; and

line 4, delete "at the fourth step toward the", insert --toward a second--.

Page 8, line 9, after "21", insert --,--; and

line 25, delete "is", insert --offers--.

Page 9, line 1, after "and", insert --is also--;

line 6, delete "when a", insert --in light of--;

line 7, delete ", etc., are taken into", and

delete "consideration", insert --considerations--;

line 8, delete "Dependently on", insert --Depending upon the--;

line 12, after "20", insert --,--;

line 14, after "20", insert --,--;

line 19, delete ", and even", insert --. Even--; and

line 26, delete "a size and a", insert --a specific size and--.

Page 10, line 10, delete "merit", insert --benefit--;

line 12, delete ". The reason", insert -- for the following reason--;

line 13, delete "is as follows";

line 14, delete "secured", insert --achieved--;

delete "If", insert --However, if --; and

delete "not merit as", insert --no comparative benefit--;

line 15, delete "compared", and

delete ", an effect", insert -- --;

line 16, delete "of absorbing the", insert --A--;

delete "of a", insert --absorbing effect of the--, and

after "weakened", insert --,--;

line 18, delete "means", insert --refers to--;

line 25, delete ". The reason is", insert -- for the following reason--; and

line 26, delete "as follows.".

Page 11, line 10, delete "is superior in", insert --offers superior--.

Page 12, line 5, delete "cannot be obtained, so that the increase of the content";

line 15, delete ". The", insert --, for the--;

line 16, delete "reason is as follows", insert --following reason--;

line 20, after "sheet", insert --,--; and

line 24, delete ". The reason is as follows.", insert --, for the following

reason--.

Page 13, line 12, delete "The", insert --When the--;

line 14, delete "and"; and

line 18, after "socket", insert --,--.

Page 15, line 19, delete in its entirety and insert --Example--.